Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Am I to take it that the Law Member is not in a position to say how long it has been in the Select Committee stage?

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—To the best of my memory the Select Committee was appointed in the second legislative session of last year. There was only just two months time for the life of the Council to expire and so it was not possible for the Select Committee to report. I am referring the bill to a fresh select committee today.

Establishing a District Court for the Mukundapuram and Cranganur Taluks.

46. Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) the total number of

(a) original suits;

(b) appeals; and

(c) miscellaneous applications filed during the last 6 years in the Trichur and the Anjikaimal District Courts respectively arranged Taluk-war;

(2) will the Government consider the advisability of establishing a District Court for the Taluks of Mukundapuram and Cranganur together, abolishing the Additional District Court at Ernakulam, if necessary?

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—(1) (a) and (b) A statement showing the particulars is appended (*Vide Appendix II.*)

(c) It is not possible to give a Taluk-war statement of miscellaneous petitions.

(2) Government have considered the question, and the proposal has been dropped.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—I don't wish to put the question.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—On a point of order, Sir, is any member permitted to say that he does not put the question. Perhaps other members may wish to put supplementary questions on it.

Mr. President.—He may wish not to move it. He is at perfect liberty to do so.

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